COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

FACT SHEET

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES LEGAL ENTITY
AGREEMENT WITH TRAVELERS AID SOCIETY OF LOS ANGELES
FOR FISCAL YEARS 2003-2004, 2004-2005 AND 2005-2006

(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1)

REQUEST:

Approval of an Amendment format and delegate authority for the Director of Mental Health to prepare, sign and execute an Amendment to the Mental Health Services Legal Entity Agreement with Travelers Aid Society of Los Angeles (TASLA) to add \$63,680 of Realignment Funds to the Maximum Contract Amount (MCA). The additional \$63,680 in Realignment Funds are included in DMH's Fiscal Year (FY) 2003-2004 Proposed Budget. TASLA's MCA shall be \$124,648 for FYs 2003-2004, 2004-2005 and 2005-2006. This action will be effective July 1, 2003.

CONTRACTOR:

TASLA is a non-profit, private, social service agency located at 340 North Madison Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004, whose mission is to provide assistance and support through counseling, education, and other services to individuals and families in crisis due to mobility, homelessness, or other disruptive circumstances.

INTENT:

Approval of this request will authorize outreach services to continue uninterrupted at the current FY 2002-2003 service level at TASLA's Teen Canteen and at the People Assisting the Homeless Regional Homeless Center.

JUSTIFICATION:

In the FY 2003-2004 renewal process the Board approved \$60,968 in Realignment Funds, which represented a reduction in services. Increasing the MCA will enable TASLA to maintain services at the current FY 2002-2003 level to the adult homeless population in Service Area 4 and to DCFS graduates and emancipated youths.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

DMH has an existing Agreement with TASLA that will be renewed on July 1, 2003. The existing Agreement to provide services to the adult homeless population and homeless youth (ages 12-24), who are living on the streets is currently funded in the amount of \$124,648. The Board approved MCA for FYs 2003-2004, 2004-2005 and 2005, 2006 is \$60,968. The additional \$63,680 will increase the renewal MCA to \$124,648.